



Culture Change in Academia: Making Sharing the New Norm

Wednesday, October 22

3:00 - 4:30 pm

University Club, Ballroom A

Join a lively discussion with Erin McKiernan, an early career researcher in experimental and computational neuroscience and a leading advocate for Open Access, Open Data, and Open Science. McKiernan will explore the powerful, positive benefits of openness in scholarly research, the tension between personal success as a researcher and Open Science, and the need for reform in our academic evaluation and incentive systems.

Keynote speaker: **Erin McKiernan**, postdoctoral fellow in psychology at Wilfrid Laurier University and Open Access advocate

Panel discussion following with University of Pittsburgh faculty members:

Brian Beaton (Moderator) Assistant Professor, School of Information Sciences and Interim Director, Sara Fine Institute for Interpersonal Behavior and Technology

Gordon Mitchell, Associate Professor of Communication and Assistant Dean, University Honors College

Lara Putnam, Professor of History and former co-senior editor, Hispanic American Historical Review

Jackie Smith, Professor of Sociology and editor, Journal of World-Systems Research



About Erin McKiernan

McKiernan is a postdoctoral fellow in the Department of Psychology at Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario. Previously she served as a researcher affiliated with the National Institute of Public Health of Mexico, where she experienced firsthand the impact of cost barriers to accessing scholarly research. McKiernan has written about open access for international media outlets, such as The Conversation and The Guardian, and blogs about [her experiences with Open Science](#). You can also follow her on Twitter at [@emckiernan13](#).

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